

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

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Office of the Secretary of State, Elections Division Subject of possible rule making: A variety of election issues will be addressed, such as recounts, vote by mail, declaration of candidacy, and voters' pamphlet. Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 29A.04.611 Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Clarification is needed for upcoming elections. Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: Process for developing new rule (check all that apply): Negotiated rule making Pilot rule making Agency study Other (describe) How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication: (List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, Joanie Deutsch, Policy Analyst for the Elections Division P.O. Box 40220, Olympia, WA 98504-0220 (360) 902-4182 jdeutsch@secstate.wa.gov DATE CODE REVISER USE ONLY 9/11/09 OFFICE OF THE CODE REVISER STATE OF WASHINGTON NAME (TYPE OR PRINT) **FILED** Steve Excell DATE: September 11, 2009 SIGNATURE TIME: 4:17 PM WSR 09-19-062 TITLE Assistant Secretary of State